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AMENDMENT**Mail Stop Amendment**

Commissioner for Patents

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed May 18, 2006, Applicants respectfully submit the following claim amendments and remarks in connection with the above-captioned application.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.